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# TRANSMITTAL OF PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U.S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

- [X] Preliminary Amendment Following Request for Continued Examination; and
- [X] Credit Card Authorization Form for \$550.00 (\$50.00 for seven new claims; \$200 for one new independent claim).

Authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0869 (ICLS 1001-2), or credit any payment thereto, for any additional fees associated with this document.

Respectfully submitted.

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Sir:

Following a Request for Continued Examination filed on January 13, 2005, applicants submit the following preliminary amendments.

The Claims with any amendments are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 herein.

Remarks begin on page 11.

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